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Y'all -

I will be out next week, so I'm going to try to get the San Jacinto update for elected officials out this week. If you would please send me your input by COB tomorrow, Tuesday, 6/26, I would be very grateful. Here is last month's information.

I. Community Outreach

EPA, in coordination with the Highlands, Texas, Community Advisory Group and Harris County, will participate in a community meeting scheduled for June 14, 2012, near the site to update residents on site developments and schedules.

II. Source Stabilization

EPA conducted the second quarterly cap inspection in May 2012. The inspection consisted of reviewing the integrity of the armor cap, site security, fencing, and site signage. No issues of concern were identified during the inspection.

III. Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)

Analysis and validation of the Southern Impoundment soil, sediment, and groundwater samples collected in early May is continuing with results expected in one to two months. The EPA and partner agencies completed regulatory reviews and comments on the draft Fate and Transport Model Study Report. The comments were relayed to the Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs), and a conference call was held between the partner agencies and the PRPs to discuss issues relating to the model study. A second conference call is planned to follow up on the remaining issues. Comments on the draft sediment sampling plan for the River Fleet property located northwest of the waste pits have been completed and are now being sent to the owners. The cap porewater sampling plan was approved with modifications following reviews by the partner agencies. The samplers were placed in the cap this week and will remain in place for approximately one month to reach equilibrium, then will be pulled for analysis.

IV. Watershed Management

EPA continues to coordinate with the Port of Houston Authority, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Galveston District and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). TCEQ envisions completing the total maximum daily load for Buffalo Bayou with regard to dioxin/furan by the end of 2012 and will put together a monitoring and implementation plan to reduce levels in Buffalo Bayou to within national background levels.

V. Enforcement

The potentially responsible party group continues to conduct the RI/FS under the Unilateral Administrative Order. Respondents continue to work towards resolving the outstanding issue



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of stipulated penalties resulting from prior noncompliance with the order.

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